## AVIATION SAFETY ADVISORY GROUP (ASAG) AND THE SCOTTSDALE FSDO PRESENT

# The 40th Annual Arizona Safety Awards Banquet November 3, 2012

#### Awards Presented

Flight Instructor of the year

Air Traffic Communicator of the year

FAASTeam Representative of the year

Maintenance Technician of the year

Avionics Technician of the year

Airport Safety Award

Ruth Reinhold Award

Designated Pilot Examiner Recognition

## **Key Note Speaker Lt. Col. Robert "Bob" Ashby**



Robert Ashby, a Tuskegee airman and first black captain for Frontier Airlines was born July 17, 1926 in Yemassee, S.C. Bob enlisted in the Army Air Corps at age seventeen as a candidate for the Aviation Cadet program. He was called to active duty in August 1944 after graduating from high school. In December 1944 Ashby was sent to Tuskegee, Alabama to begin cadet raining.

As a cadet he flew the Stearman PT-17, AT-6, and the B-25. Ashby graduated as a second lieutenant with the Tuskegee Class of 45-H on November 20, 1945. Ashby was assigned to Japan as a part of the U.S. occupying force. On his arrival in Japan, Ashby found he was assigned to two white flying outfits, neither of which would accept him in their unit because he was black and the Army was segregated.

Second Lieutenant Ashby was removed from pilot status and assigned to a black company in the Quartermaster Department in Tokyo, Japan. In May 1949, Ashby was assigned to the black unit at Lockbourne Air Field, Ohio where he was reinstated to flying status. In 1952, Ashby flew B-26's for a year of combat in Korea. In 1956, in England, Ashby flew the T-33, B-45 and B-66. He trained in the B-47 aircraft and became a B-47 instructor. Reaching the status of Lieutenant Colonel, Robert Ashby retired honorably from the U.S. Air Force in July 1965, after 21 years of fighting racial problems as well as the enemies of America.

Awesome Door Prizes, Silent Auction and some good old fashioned fun!

## We need your nominations!!

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to obtain the needed forms and for more information on the Safety Awards Banquet

## **Please Join Us!** ♥

Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 3rd (Cash Bar Opens at 5:30) Dinner begins at 6pm



DoubleTree Guest Suites 320 North 44th Street Phoenix AZ 85008

TICKETS \$35 PER PERSON or \$325 PER TABLE
OF TEN (Including Tax and Tip)
Reservations Required for Group Tables (10 Seats)



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